GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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AMENDMENT IN IMPORT DRUG PROVISIONS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to amend the provisions relating to control on drug imports in order to ensure standard medicines in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which these provisions are likely to be amended?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) to (c) A notification has been published on 24.11.2000 regarding the proposal to amend provisions of the Drugs and Cosmetics Rules, 1945 to introduce a system of registering manufacturers abroad and the drugs which are to be exported to this country. The proposal includes provisions relating to the procedures, documents and fees required for obtaining registration as well as import licenses for drugs. A period of forty five days have been given for obtaining comments objections from the public prior to finalising the provisions. It normally takes a few months thereafter for finally notifying